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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 10362

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, ICRC, IS  
SUBJECT: ISRAELI/ICRC DISCUSSIONS

REF: TEL AVIV 10301

1. MFA OFFICERS (RONN AND SABEL) HAVE GIVEN US ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE BACKGROUND OF THE RECENT DISCUSSIONS IN ISRAEL WITH ICRC REPRESENTATIVES. RONN SAID THAT THE RED CROSS OFFICIALS HAD WANTED TO INCLUDE IN THE COMMUNIQUE (REFTEL) A FULL REPORT OF THE SUBJECTS WHICH HAD BEEN DISCUSSED, IN ADDITION TO THE QUESTION OF ACCESS TO DETAINEES. (AS REPORTED IN TEL AVIV 9931 THE DISCUSSIONS HAD COVERED A NUMBER OF OTHER SUBJECTS, INCLUDING REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, DESTRUCTION OF TERRORISTS' HOMES AND PRISON CONDITIONS.) THE MFA FELT PUBLICATION OF SUCH A LIST WOULD CONSTITUTE A TACIT ADMISSION THAT ISRAEL HAD BEEN GUILTY OF A NUMBER OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND PREVAILED UPON THE ICRC TO DISCUSS ONLY THE SUBJECT OF ACCESS TO DETAINEES IN THE COMMUNIQUE.

2. SABEL SAID THAT GOI EASING OF RULES ON RED CROSS VISITS TO DETAINEES WAS INTENDED TO PRECLUDE NEED FOR  
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FURTHER ACTION ON THE TORTURE ISSUE. GOI BELIEVES THAT ITS CONCESSION PERMITTING MORE RAPID ACCESS TO DETAINEES SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT RESPONSE TO CRITICISM OF ISRAELI SECURITY PRACTICES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND THAT INTERNATIONAL INQUIRIES (SUCH AS SUGGESTED BY THE USG) WILL NOW BE UNNECESSARY.  
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